

ACTION

AGENDA ITEM: CLSA Consolidations and Affiliations

ISSUES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD AT THIS MEETING:

1. Irwindale Public Library affiliation with the Metropolitan Cooperative Library System.
2. Colusa County Library change of System membership.

RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD: I move that the Library of California Board approve the affiliation of the Irwindale Public Library with the Metropolitan Cooperative Library System effective July 1, 2001, and waive the September 1, 2000 filing date for 2001/02 affiliations.

RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD: I move that the Library of California Board approve the proposed change in System membership for the Colusa County Free Library from the North State Cooperative Library System to the Mountain Valley Library System effective July 1, 2001, and waive the September 1, 2000 filing date for 2001/02 affiliations.

1. Consider Irwindale Public Library affiliation with MCLS

BACKGROUND:

The Irwindale Public Library has requested to affiliate with the Metropolitan Cooperative Library System (MCLS). The MCLS Administrative Council approved the affiliation request on January 25, 2001 and requests the Library of California Board to waive the September 1 filing date requirement for submitting requests in order for membership to become effective July 1, 2001 (see Exhibit A). The Irwindale City Council approved the affiliation with the Metropolitan Cooperative Library System on January 25, 2001 (see Exhibit B). This request meets the contiguous boundary requirements.

2. Consider Colusa County Free Library Change of System Membership

BACKGROUND:

Notification has been received from the Colusa County Free Library requesting change of System membership from North State Cooperative Library System to Mountain Valley Library System (MVLS) contingent upon the approval of the Colusa County Board of Supervisors. Colusa County Library further requests the Library of California Board to waive the September 1, 2000 filing date for submitting requests so that the new affiliation can begin July 1, 2001 (see Exhibit C). The MVLS Administrative Council approved the Colusa County Library's request for membership on January 11, 2001 (see Exhibit D). Exhibit E is a letter from Colusa County Library to the North State Cooperative Library System notifying them of this change. This request meets the contiguous boundary requirement.

GENERAL OVERALL PROGRAM UPDATES:

CURRENT STATUS: June 30, 1983 marked the last date on which public libraries affiliating with Systems were eligible for grants under the Affiliations Program.

Although affiliation grants are no longer available, the State Board must still approve the proposed affiliation of independent public libraries with Systems, since funds for several CLSA programs are allocated on the basis of formulas in which the number of System members is a significant factor.

Public library consolidations (Section 18732) and System consolidations remain eligible for reimbursement grants indefinitely. By statute, consolidation establishment grants are paid as follows:

	<u>For each of 2 years</u>	<u>Total Grant</u>
Public library consolidation	\$20,000	\$40,000
System consolidation	\$10,000	\$20,000

PROGRAM TRENDS: No notifications of intent to consolidate in the 2001/02 fiscal year were received by the September 1, 2000 filing date.

No notifications of intent to consolidate or affiliate in the 2002/03 fiscal year have been received to date.

RELATED ISSUE TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD IN THE FUTURE: The State Board will be notified of all proposed affiliations or consolidations at the Board meeting immediately following the receipt of notices of intent.

Relevant Committee: CLSA Transition
Staff Liaison: Tom Andersen

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